## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

VS. CRIMINAL ACTION NO. 1:08CR052-P-D

PHILLIP MINGA, DEFENDANT.

## **ORDER CONTINUING TRIAL**

This matter comes before the court upon Defendant's third motion to continue trial [19].

After due consideration of the motion, the court finds as follows, to-wit:

Trial is currently set for February 8, 2009. Defense counsel requests a continuance to afford more time to send 1800 pages of discovery to experts for review.

The Government has no objection to the continuance.

The above circumstances enable the Court to exclude, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. section 3161(h)(8)(A), the period of delay from February 8, 2009 until the new trial date to be set in this matter. The time is excludable under subsection (h)(8)(A) because, given the circumstances described above, a continuance is necessary to afford the defendant's counsel more time to adequately prepare for his client's defense. As such, the ends of justice served by the granting of this continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that:

- (1) Defendant's second motion for continuance [19] is **GRANTED**;
- (2) Trial of this matter is continued until Monday, April 27, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. in the United States Courthouse in Greenville, Mississippi;
  - (3) The delay from February 9, 2009 to April 27, 2009 is excluded from Speedy Trial Act

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considerations as set out above;

- (4) The deadline for filing pretrial motions is April 6, 2009; and
- (5) The deadline for submitting a plea agreement is April 13, 2009.

**SO ORDERED** this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of January, A.D., 2009.

/s/ W. Allen Pepper, Jr.

W. ALLEN PEPPER, JR. UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE